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Clubwomen Take No Stand On Neutrality

New England clubwomen leaders are not agreed on the Neutrality Act issue and therefore took no formal action on the question at the closing session of the 30th annual conference of state federations of women clubs held at Manchester, Vt. last week end.

The resolution finally adopted, as presented by Mrs. Frank P. Bennett of Cliftondale, Mass., chairman of the Committee on Co-operation with War Veterans and former president of the Massachusetts State Federation, called only for a "sane attitude toward world events." The text of the resolution was as follows:

"We are resolved that in these difficult times, we the clubwomen of New England should preserve a sane attitude toward world events and accept our responsibility in the formation of public opinion."

There was considerable discussion about this stand as many felt it should have been a stronger declaration against involving this country in war.

The action does not mean the other state federations themselves must abide by this stand, but it indicates the attitude of the leaders.

Mrs. Harry W. Smith, wife of a member of the faculty at the University of New Hampshire, was elected president of the New England conference. Other officers elected include: Vice-president, Mrs. Frank Gibson, Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Ralph C. Jenkins, secretary-treasurer, Danbury, Ct.; publicity director, Miss Josephine Bruce-Chapin, Everett, Mass.

The next meeting of the conference will be held at Swampscott, Mass., Sept. 23 and 24, 1940.

Local Motorist Fined As A Wet Operator

Laurence D. Whitney of Northfield was fined \$50 in district court Tuesday after being found guilty of operating under the influence of liquor. A supplementary drunkenness conviction was filed by Judge Abner S. McLeod, who also allowed the defendant a month to pay his fine. Whitney was arrested Sunday, Sept. 24 by State Troopers Francis Noone and Mieczyslaw Wojtkowski of Shelburne Falls barracks, who trailed him along the Deerfield-Greenfield highway after another motorist, Miss Muriel Taggart of Holland, reported that she had followed him from Hatfield to Deerfield and that his car had been swerving from side to side. The defendant denied being the operator, and his sister, Miss Madeline Whitney, insisted that she had been driving. She said she had no license and was learning to drive. Judge McLeod said he could not doubt Miss Taggart's word that she saw Whitney's arm flash out to signal a left turn in South Deerfield, or that Miss Whitney and Edward Matosky were backseat passengers during the course of the ride.

Truck-Auto Crash

Tuesday evening shortly before 9 o'clock, at the junction of the Millers Falls and Bernardston roads, a sedan going northward and a milk truck going straight south crashed. The sedan was driven by Bernard C. Noga of Greenfield, who suffered slight injuries when his car was hit and overturned in the ditch. He was treated by Dr. Wright. The milk truck was operated by Glenn E. Hardy of South Royalton, Vt. The night was wet and the roads were slippery. Constable Vorce and Trooper Wojtkowski investigated. The corner has long been recognized as a dangerous intersection.

The First Showing Of 1940 New Cars May Be Seen Here

Spencer Bros. have received two new 1940 Ford automobiles which will be displayed for the first time today, Friday, in their showrooms at the garage on Main street. Their advertisement in the Press, today invites you to call and see them.

Notable advances in styling, comfort, convenience and safety are claimed by the manufacturer. The cars look longer and larger with more seat room, leg room, elbow room and shoulder room. Important feature of all models is finger-tip gear shifting by lever located on the steering column.

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The 1940 Mercury is a car of striking beauty, with gracefully flaring chromium radiator grilles, beautifully molded hood and smoothly streamlined body and rear deck. Interior styling treatment is in colorful blue and silver tone. There are many engineering improvements including a finger-tip gearshift on the steering column, new sealed-beam headlights and a new torsion bar ride-stabilizer which helps to control side sway and enables the car to take corners or negotiate rough roads on an even keel.

The Lincoln-Zephyr is larger, more beautiful and more powerful. The bodies are entirely new, substantially longer and wider. Interiors are more roomy all around and seats are wider than formerly. A new finger-tip gearshift on the steering post below the wheel provides substantially more passenger room in the front compartment.

Fortnightly Meeting

This afternoon at three o'clock in Alexander hall will be held the first session of the Fortnightly.

Prof. and Mrs. Horace H. Morse are the speakers and their subject will be "Notes from Abroad." Prof. and Mrs. Morse have been abroad since February travelling through Italy, France, and England. Prof. Morse addresses the Fortnightly each year on current events. His personal scrutiny of the situation in Europe this year will be a valuable addition to this annual event. Mrs. Morse will further add to the interest of the afternoon by giving her impressions.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 8 p. m. in the town hall when a reception will be given to guests of the State Federation which holds its fall meeting on the following day Thursday in the auditorium at East Northfield.

California Wedding

Miss Lucile W. Barnes daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Wade H. Barnes of Elk Grove, Calif., and Kenneth Bomberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bomberg of Berkeley, Calif., were married Thursday, Sept. 7 in the Elk Grove Community church of which her father is pastor. The young couple will reside at San Anselmo where Mr. Bomberg is attending the Theological seminary and preaching at Oakland. The bride is a graduate of Occidental college of Los Angeles and has been teaching. Some years ago with her parents she resided in East Northfield. The bride is a niece of Mrs. Louise R. LaBella of this town and Springfield.

Garden Club Members Learn About Putting The Garden To Bed

It was bed time at the meeting of the Garden club last Monday evening, when members were informed all about putting the garden to bed for the winter. The bulbs, which gave forth beautiful blooms during the summer and the plants which must be cared for indoors, were considered in an illustrated talk by Prof. Arnold M. Davis of the Mass. State college, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin E. Vorce on Main street. There was a large attendance who viewed the beautiful colored pictures with pleasure and gathered much information from the talk.

A questionnaire followed. The club has a large membership and many new names are being enrolled. It is proposed that a garden library be secured, which books may be loaned to the membership, and a committee was named to consider the matter. It is also quite likely that the club will hold a flower show next season. L. P. Goodspeed is president of the club and devoting much time to its plans for the future with the program committee. Garden clubs are popular and successful everywhere and all who are interested in flowers should be identified with the local organization. Applications and dues may be sent to Grove W. Deming, Mount Hermon, Mass.

Your Auto Inspected?

The fall compulsory inspection of motor vehicles started on Monday at our various garages and continue for the rest of the month. Under the law, every car owner must go to an official inspection station to have all equipment of the car tested. Stickers will be given for windshields of cars in proper condition. This drive's stickers will be green and on the reverse side will carry this caution to drivers, "On wet roads and at night, slow down." While the drive will extend through October, no person has the right to have an unsafe car on the road and so, starting on Oct. 16, all inspectors of the division will be on the highways to stop cars without stickers, inspect them and, if any are found unsafe, take away their plates, with the owner to lose use of his car for several days. Better get your car inspected immediately.

Fortnightly Auction

The auction held in the town hall Thursday evening of last week by the Ways and Means committee of the Fortnightly was a success in every way, and netted a considerable sum. All sorts of articles which had been contributed were sold with Joseph W. Field, acting as auctioneer. Mr. Field impersonated a well known character with the usual auction sale signs displayed, and created the life of the gathering which remained until eleven o'clock when the sale was adjourned. Mrs. Joseph Field and Mrs. Ray Thompson had charge.

No Auto Rate Change

Word comes from Boston that there is not likely to be any marked changes in the compulsory automobile insurance rates for next year. There may be some changes in the classifications but even these may be slight. On the whole the present set up seems to have worked out alright.

Trustees Are To Meet

The annual fall meeting of the trustees of the Northfield schools will be held the weekend of Oct. 21. At the same time the members of the Alumni Council of Mount Hermon school will be here for their annual meeting. The trustees will hold a reception for the faculty members of the two schools at the Chateau on the evening of Oct. 21.

Womens Alliance Unitarian Church Announce Program

The Womens Alliance of the Unitarian church have planned a splendid program for the season. Its purpose is to help further all work of the church; to help maintain the highest moral ideals in the community; to help develop the spiritual life of all. The officers of the Alliance are President, Mrs. N. P. Wood, Vice President Mrs. J. V. McNeil, Recording Secretary Mrs. O. D. Doolittle; Correspondence Secretary, Mrs. Charles Webster; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank Williams. The program meetings are held on afternoons at 2:30 o'clock in the church parlors, unless otherwise designated. Sewing meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month from 2 to 4:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. W. Robbins unless otherwise announced.

The first gathering of the season was held at the home of Mrs. McNeil on Maple street on Thursday, Sept. 21, and she was assisted as the hostess by Miss Ann Mattoon. Rev. Margaret A. Barnard of Greenfield was the speaker on "a bit of pioneer work at Rowe." The next meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 11, when Rev. Mary Andrews Conner will speak on "the activities of the A. U. A." Members of the executive committee will serve as the hostesses.

Following meetings scheduled are, Nov. 9, when Mrs. Robert H. Wilder will speak on "the significance in the world of anti-Semitism." Mrs. W. A. Barr and Mrs. Mary Bardwell are the hostesses. Dec. 14, Mrs. Charles C. Stearns will speak on "Three prominent Unitarian ministers and their contribution to the world." Hostesses are Mrs. J. M. Whitmore and Mrs. F. Warren Whitman. Jan. 11, Mrs. Charles Webster, Mrs. Mary Holton and Miss Emma Alexander will speak on "Great Unitarian hymn writers." Hostesses are Mrs. N. P. Wood, Mrs. H. M. Haskell and Mrs. Fred A. Irish. Feb. 8 at the home of Mrs. Thomas Parker, Mrs. O. D. Doolittle will speak on "Outstanding women and their work of today." Hostesses are Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Joseph W. Field. March 14, the speaker will be Mrs. E. M. Morgan and her subject, "The history of the Unitarian Temperance Society." The hostess will be Mrs. Frank W. Williams. April 11 will be the annual meeting and luncheon at 1 o'clock with Mrs. George N. Kidder, Mrs. S. H. Harriman, Mrs. Charles Streeter and Mrs. Raymond Sauter as hostesses. May 9, Miss Ann Mattoon and Mrs. Carroll Rich will present "a message from an outstanding book." The time and place of this meeting will be of a surprise character. June 13, at Camp Wawona, where the hostesses will be "the five Alexander sisters" and where Mrs. J. C. Lee the regional Director of the Alliance will be the guest of honor and speak on "The Alliance work." The details and announcement of the July and August meetings are left with the Executive Committee.

Symphony Concerts

Symphony concerts are to be given in Greenfield on Sundays in the high school auditorium on Dec. 10, Feb. 4 and April 7 by the Pioneer Valley Symphony orchestra under the direction of Harold Leslie. A number of the players enrolled are musicians from Northfield and there will be local interest in the programs. A business mens committee has been formed to back the movement and ensure its success. Channing I. Bete as chairman was named by the sponsors, the Kiwanis club and H. I. Jenks has charge of publicity, while Howard Cadwell will have charge of tickets and arrangements.



Hermon - Seminary Services Sunday

Mount Hermon school will hold a song service in place of vespers Sunday evening to introduce the new Northfield hymnal. John J. Moment, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Plainfield, N. J. will speak at the morning service in Memorial chapel at 10:30.

Dr. Moment will speak at Northfield seminary's vespers service at 5 p. m. In the morning at 11 o'clock, the Rt. Rev. Henry K. Sherrill of Boston will speak at Sage chapel.

Out For Soccer At Hermon School

William Marshall and Carleton Finch of East Northfield are out for soccer this fall at Mount Hermon and played in the preliminary intramural and interclass games last Saturday. More than 60 boys are competing for places on the Hermon varsity and Head Coach Axel Forslund has found it necessary to enlarge the intramural schedule to accommodate two equally good teams representing the same class. The varsity team will be announced before the Oct. 21st game with the Amherst frosh at Amherst.

His Father Dies

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt C. Skilton and daughter, Margaret, attended the funeral of Mr. Skilton's father, Joel W. Skilton, last Tuesday in Morris, Ct. Mr. Skilton died at his home in Morris, after an illness of nearly one year, in his 81st year. The funeral was held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Sherman K. Ives. Mr. Skilton is survived by his widow, and four children, George W. Skilton of West Hartford, Halsey W. Skilton of Block Island, R. I., Mrs. Sherman K. Ives of Morris, Ct. and Merritt C. Skilton of East Northfield. There are 13 grandchildren.

Did Civic Work

The high school class in civic affairs under their teacher, Miss Julia Austin, gave the citizens of the town an object lesson on Wednesday when they went to the small square at the head of Warwick avenue, took a look at its littered lawn and its dirty fountain, and cleaned it up. They left it in fine condition. There are many uncared for lawns along the Main street which look very unattractive and the owners ought to be shamed into cleaning them up.

Mount Hermon School Honor List Announced

Headmaster David R. Porter of Mount Hermon school has named the honor list of the school based on grades for last year.

Boys whose names appear on this list are entitled to take one cut in each of their classes during the first six weeks of school this year. To gain a place on the honor list students must have a scholastic average of over 80.

The following names were listed: Allen P. Arnold, Richard and Robert Birdsall, Emerson H. Bosworth, Peter Burrows, Antonio Conde, Richard C. Devenney, Burt A. Easton, Carleton K. Finch, Donald H. Ford, Kenneth Franz, Eaton Freeman, Richard R. Galt, Andrew G. Goheen, Donald Gooding, Charles S. Hall, William C. Hamilton, John R. Harmon, Bradley D. Harris, Robert Harwood, Arthur Heyworth, Robert J. Horn, Jr., William A. Hungerford, William Noel Jameson.

Also, Arnold F. Keller, Jr., T. Frederick Kellogg, William J. Kempf, Wesley F. Lewis, James W. Mattern, Robert Penwarden, Mark D. Prindle, Scott Pruyn, Alvin A. Rathbun, William Robertson, Forster G. Ruhl, Alan B. Schwanda, Donald J. Shields, Gordon P. Smith, Jr., Irving D. Smith, Jr., William E. Smith, Herbert Spohn, Colby S. Stearns, Richard W. Stevens, Robin Stevenson, Lee Stull, Charles D. Thompson, John VanLingen, Sanford VanOst, Donald Webster, Grant I. Whitcomb, Kendrick O. White, Andrew D. Whitehead, Albert F. Wisner, Frederick C. Witzel and Walter F. Wood, 3d.

Gave Historical Facts

The Historical society met Tuesday evening in the Dickinson hall in the library building with a goodly attendance and with Miss Daisy Holton, the president presiding. The guest of the evening was John Gale, Esq. of Guilford, president of the Windham county Vermont Historical association, and an authority on Indian lore in this vicinity. Mr. Gale gave much information of the early affairs of the Indian settlements here and traced much of the traditional history of the tribes. The next quarterly meeting will be held in January.

Poetic Rover (to farmer): And does this glorious setting sun each evening mean nothing to you?

Farmer (mopping his brow): I'll say it does. It means I can eventually unhitch the horses and go home.

The Vernon Church Settles Difficulties Over \$12,000 Fund

Some thirty years ago Hattie Simonds of Philadelphia left a fund of \$12,000 to the Union Church association of Vernon and disagreements of long standing have prevailed over the administration of the fund. The corporation formed to receive the fund, was formed outside of the church organization. The late Dr. N. P. Wood of Northfield was the administrator of the Simonds estate and president of the association.

The church in its early years was of the Universalist persuasion but later became the Vernon Union church without denominational affiliation. Now it appears that matters of contention between the association and the church have been satisfactorily settled and an amicable understanding has been reached.

For about 20 years the money was invested with the Universalist Convention of Vermont and Quebec as trustee. Under the new agreement the trust department of the Vermont-Peoples National bank becomes trustee.

About a year ago as an annual meeting of the corporation additional members of the church applied for membership and were denied by a tie vote. Last July a conference was held between representatives of the church society and the association, and the plan for placing the fund in the hands of the bank was decided upon.

Those present at that meeting were: For the association, Mrs. Norman P. Wood, widow of the administrator of the Simonds will who followed him as president, Everett E. Stockwell, and Judge A. F. Schwenk as counsel; for the church, Rev. E. E. Jones, minister, Rev. Owen R. Washburn, and Irwin S. Kendall as counsel.

Special meetings of each group were called and both church and association ratified the acts of their representatives in the proposition. At the meeting last week the reorganized association ratified the acts of each group, and all members of the church became members of the association as well.

A complete new set of officers was chosen distributed between the two old groups which are now merged into one: Mrs. Wood, president emerita; president, Everett E. Stockwell; vice-president, Zelia J. Staten; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. B. H. Newton; trustees, Mrs. Wood, B. H. Newton, Mrs. Staten, Frank H. Woodward, Lee Barnes, Dwight Johnson and Mrs. Stockwell; auditors, Rev. Mr. Washburn, H. R. Brown and Mrs. J. E. Dunklee. The election and acceptance of the proposition were unanimous.

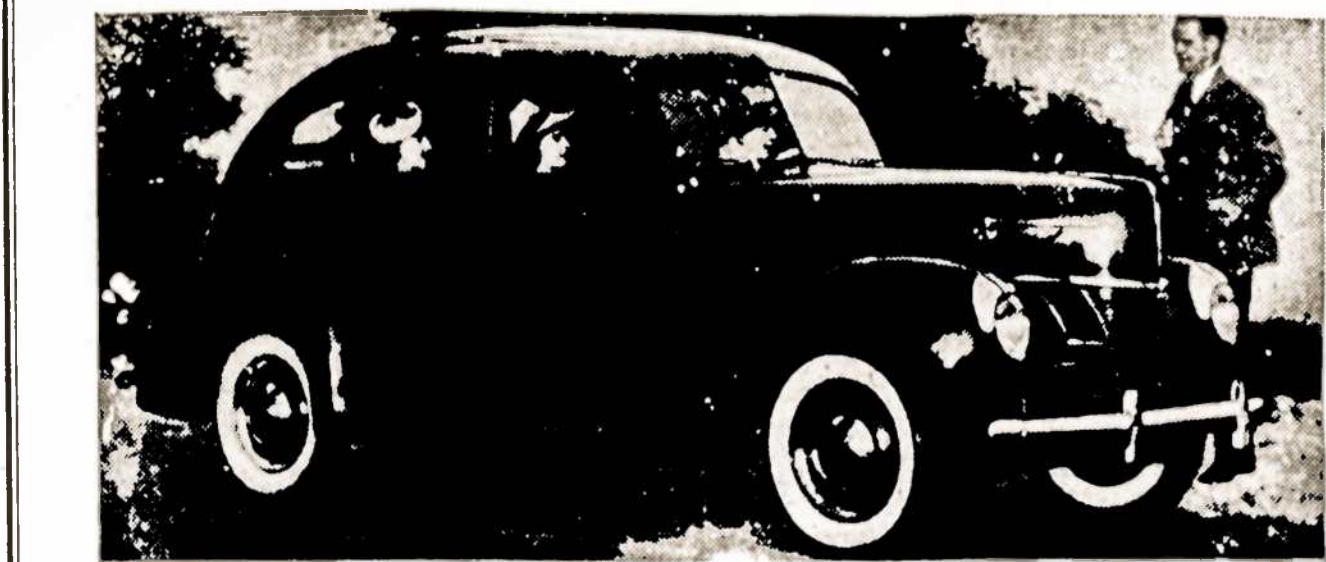
Sixty-three members of the church and two others of the parish were voted into the trust fund association, and future members of the church will automatically become members of the association.

It was also decided that three Universalist services would be held each year by a regularly ordained Universalist minister, and that a \$20 membership fee would be provided for membership in the state Universalist convention to keep alive the old Universalist church of Vernon, one of the societies which helped form the Union church.

The fund now amounts to about \$12,000, which is approximately the amount left to the church as a residuary legatee under the Simonds will. Rev. Ellis E. Jones, formerly of the faculty of Northfield seminary is the pastor of the Vernon Union church and heads an active organization of church men and women.

John Joseph Dale

John Joseph Dale, age 78, died at his home on Warwick avenue, last week Thursday. He was born in Northfield, Nov. 3, 1860, the son of John and Mary (Callahan) Dale. He was educated in the local schools and led an active life, in the community, interested in all its affairs. For many years he was employed by the Northfield schools and later by the town road department. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mary, at home and Mrs. Margaret Broughton of Westfield. Also four sons, David of Greenfield, William of Mechanicsville, N. Y., John of Brattleboro and James at home. He also is survived by a brother, David of Orange. The funeral was held Saturday morning at St. Patrick's church with the Rev. Fr. Mitchell, officiating and burial was in the family plot at St. Marys cemetery.



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TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. Nellie A. Handy and Miss Helen Handy attended the wedding of Miss Beverly Gray to Lawrence E. Bachelder in the Congregational church in Athol, on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Miller are on a vacation trip by motor, visiting their sons, Richard and family at Rochester, N. Y. and Kenneth and family at Springfield, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam E. Walker visited their daughter, Blanche and family in Providence, R. I., last week end.

Raymond C. Miller of lower Main street is attending the Michigan academy of Radio Science at Kalamazoo. He will specialize in radio operating and communications engineering. Raymond met stringent requirements in entering.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell at Lewiston, Me., this week, where Mr. Powell is connected with Bates college.

Mrs. Lucas Boeve who has enjoyed her summers stay in her cottage here, has left for her home in Washington.

Mrs. Lucius Mason has closed her home "Gray Gables" on Linden avenue and left for a stay at her apartment in New York City.

The many friends in town of County Treasurer, William J. Newcomb of Greenfield, will regret to learn that he was injured when his car which he was driving crashed into a tree on the highway near Forest Lake in New Hampshire last Saturday. He was taken to the Keene hospital for treatment.

Records kept for the month of September of the rainfall, shows that 3.20 inches fell, which is below the average for several years. Records of rainfall are kept at the seminary barns on Winchester road.

The conference of YMCA secretaries of New Hampshire and their wives last week end at the Northfield hotel was well attended and everyone had a most enjoyable time.

Miss Sarah Ayres, who has occupied her cottage in the Highlands during the summer, left for her home at Danielson, Ct. this Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar E. Coburn of Myrtle street left town on Tuesday for their home in Orlando, Fla. They will make the journey in easy stages, stopping at various places enroute to visit friends.

Miss Mildred Scranton of Durham, Ct., has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. C. Skilton during the past week.

Miss Margaret Skilton spent Tuesday in Rocky Hill, Ct. with one of her college friends, Miss Sylvia Gardner.

The first fall meeting of the Ladies Benevolent society of Northfield Farms was held at the library on Wednesday.

Edgar J. Livingston has sold his home on Birnam road to Roy R. Hatch of Mount Hermon, who will occupy next June upon his retirement as a member of the faculty of the school.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mrs. Eleanor R. Tie, of West Orange and formerly of East Northfield to Virgil R. Webster of West Orange on Monday, Sept. 18 at the parsonage of the minister of the Congregational church. They will reside in West Orange on the Wendell road.

The annual church meeting of the Congregational church will be held next Wednesday evening, Oct. 11. The business session will follow the supper served at the church at six o'clock.

Miss Ethel Lawrence, who was preparing to leave soon, to spend the winter at her home in New Jersey, had the misfortune last week Thursday to suffer a fractured ankle, in a fall in the garden of her home on Myrtle St.

Paul G. Jordan of Jordan Motor Sales announces that the new 1940 Chevrolet motor cars will be displayed at his salesroom on Saturday, Oct. 14 and he invites all interested to call and see it.

William Sinclair of Gorham, N. H. has been awarded a Morrill Allen Gallagher scholarship by President Hopkins of Dartmouth college, where he is a member of the senior class. It carries a stipend of \$600. Sinclair is a graduate of Mount Hermon school.

DELAND'S MUSIC STORE

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Mrs. Ross L. Spencer and Mrs. Gordon Moody attended the meeting of Republican women at the Berkshire Inn in Stockbridge on Tuesday afternoon. Cong. Allen T. Treadway was one of the speakers. It was a luncheon meeting.

Mrs. Allen H. Wright is at the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White of Boston for a visit.

Rev. George A. Bronson, who has been ill at his home here, is reported as being much improved.

The members of the Health Council will meet at the town hall next Monday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. Ernest Kirmann, who had the misfortune to break her ankle in a fall recently is now getting about on crutches in a limited way.

Miss Emma Bigelow has enrolled in the student training course for nurses at the Thompson House in Brattleboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gibbs of West Deerfield has taken an apartment in the house of Max Huber on Highland avenue. Mr. Gibbs is employed at Mount Hermon school.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taylor of Caldwell, N. J. with Mrs. Taylor's mother and sister have spent some time here at their home on the Pierson road.

The Mass. State Federation of Women's clubs will hold its autumn meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19 in Northfield at the auditorium. The Fortnightly club will be hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Makos of the Bronx, N. Y. who have been visiting here during the late summer, returned to their home on Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Ross has left her cottage in the Highlands, where she spent the summer, for a visit with friends in Woodstock, Vt.

Richard Mann, who recently entered in the U. S. navy and is stationed at Charlestown on the Destroyer, Hughes, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mann.

Marilyn Doolittle, a nurse at the Peabody home for crippled children, Newton Center, is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olei Doolittle.

The executive committee of the Franklin county chapter of the Red Cross, of which William F. Hoehn is a member, held an important meeting in Greenfield Thursday morning. Important matters were considered which will be publicized later.

Grange Activities

There was a special meeting of the Grange Thursday evening when several applications for membership were received and degrees conferred.

Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange will meet at the hall of the Montague Grange on Wednesday evening, Oct. 11. Supper will be served at 7 o'clock and the session will follow.

On Tuesday evening, Oct. 10 the Northfield Grange will meet to confer the first and second degrees.

For information, it is said that membership of three years in the Grange is required only of students applying for one of the three scholarships granted by the Mass. State Grange Educational Aid Fund. For students applying for the loan fund, only membership in a Mass. subordinate Grange is necessary. There is no requirement as to length of membership. Loans of not more than \$150 yearly are granted to worthy students, who are members, at low interest rates.

Seminary Items

The officers of the senior and junior classes at the seminary have been elected, but as yet only the class presidents have been announced. Betty Phelps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Phelps of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been chosen to head the senior class and Marjorie Meadows, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Meadows of North Wilmington, is president of the junior class. Miss Phelps has been president of the class of '40 since her sophomore year.

Jeanne Marquis of New York City, has been named the recipient of the Mira B. Wilson music scholarship. This is a new scholarship awarded by the faculty and administrative committee of the schools in recognition of Miss Wilson's completion of ten years as principal of the seminary.

The first senior party of the year will be held in the gymnasium the evening of Saturday, Oct. 14. The Mount Hermon seniors have been invited.

Interest groups and clubs are being organized and will hold their first meetings this Saturday.

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Boys and Dogs

The Kurn Hattin boys who own dogs, some five in number, have been very busy in the past few weeks making them comfortable for the winter months. Each dog has a separate house, which has been protected from the weather and banked up in such a way that he will be thoroughly comfortable. Care is taken by the management to see that dogs are fed regularly by their owners. If the owner loses interest he is required to see that his pet is transferred to someone else who will care for it regularly.

IN THE MORNING

A moment in the morning, ere the cares of day begin,
Ere the heart's wide door is open for the world to enter in;
Ah, then, alone with Jesus in the silence of the morn,
In heavenly, sweet communion let your duty day be born.
In the quietude that blesses with a prelude of repose,
Let your soul be soothed and softened as the dew revives the rose

"A moment in the morning take your Bible in your hand,
And catch a glimpse of glory from the peaceful Promised Land;
It will linger still before you when you seek the busy mart,
And, like flowers of hope, will blossom into beauty in your heart;
The precious words, like jewels, will gladden all the day
With a rare, effulgent glory that will brighten all the way."
—Author Unknown

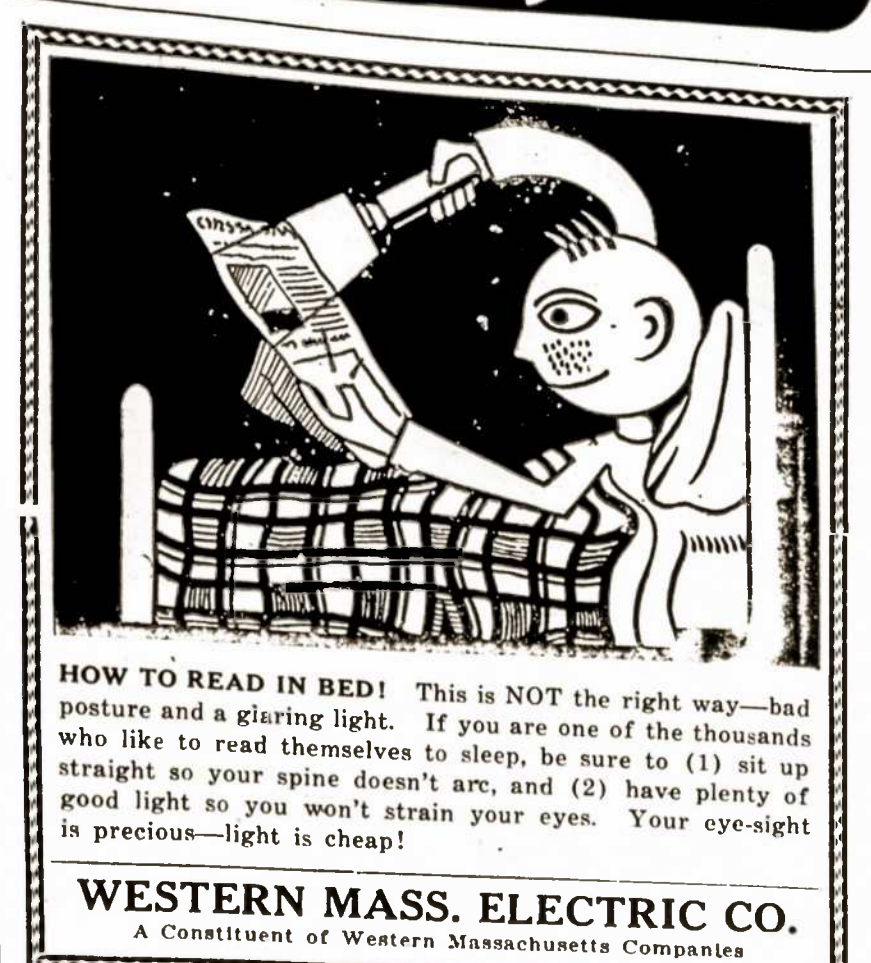
AGE

Age is a quality of mind;
If you've left your dreams behind,
If Hope is cold,
If you no longer look ahead,
If your ambition's fires are dead,
Then you are old.

But—if from Life you take the best,
If in Life you keep the zest,
If Love you hold,
No matter how the years go by,
No matter how the birthdays fly,
You are not old.

—By Edward Tuck

Little Agnes: Mother, why are you so pretty?
Mother: Because I was very good when I was a little girl.
Little Agnes: Oh, Daddy, then you must have been an awfully naughty little boy.



HOW TO READ IN BED! This is NOT the right way—bad posture and a glaring light. If you are one of the thousands who like to read themselves to sleep, be sure to (1) sit up straight so your spine doesn't arc, and (2) have plenty of good light so you won't strain your eyes. Your eye-sight is precious—light is cheap!

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Thunder Afloat

An epic story of courage at sea, adding a seldom-told chapter to the history of the United States Naval Reserve, "Thunder Afloat" brings Wallace Beery to the screen of the Lathia Memorial theatre, Brattleboro, Sunday where it will be shown for three days.

Teamed with Chester Morris, as his rival throughout the story, and with Virginia Grey, as his daughter, Beery appears as a tugboat captain who joins the navy after a U-boat has sunk his beloved craft. The action-packed sequences in which the principals participate include the raiding and sinking of the tug and its string of barges, the torpedoing of a lightship, the disabling of a sub-chaser after Beery, in command, has attempted to sink the sub with depth bombs, the attempted ramming of the U-boat by a Gloucester schooner which is sunk by gunfire, and the final crippling of the undersea boat. Scenes were shot at sea off the Atlantic coast with the remnant of the sub-chaser fleet of World War days, and off the Coronado Islands on the west coast, with the United States submarine Sturgeon.

Interested In Sports?

What do you say to forming some athletic teams this winter? It would be great fun and would provide lots of exercise. Teams could include both married and single of all ages. Bowling is becoming very popular this season. Perhaps, too, we could start teams in ping pong, badminton, etc., later in the season.

Bowling is very inexpensive and there are many fine bowling alleys at our disposal. Winchester has some fine bowling alleys, and they are eager for teams to compete with this winter. There are probably other teams in towns nearby which we could compete with also.

How about forming a bowling team in the next few weeks here in East Northfield? Come on, one and all, here's for a lot of fun in a grand sport. Experience is not necessary. Amateurs become fine bowlers in a very short time.

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WEST NORTHFIELD and SOUTH VERNON

Pastor Resigns

Rev. George A. Gray, who has been pastor of the South Vernon Advent Christian church since November, 1930, read his resignation last Sunday at the morning service, to take effect Sunday, Oct. 29. He expects to take a pastorate in Maine. Rev. and Mrs. Gray and family have been very active in the pastoral life of the church. Mr. Gray is choir leader and teacher of the adult class in Sunday school. Mrs. Gray is president of the mission society, leader of the junior mission society, which she organized several months ago, superintendent of the home department of the Sunday school and deaconess of the church. Rev. and Mrs. Gray and daughter, Nina, are all members of the choir. Their daughter, Dorothy, was church organist for several years until her marriage and removal from town.

Gideon F. Skillings

Gideon F. Skillings, 68, died suddenly at his home Saturday evening. He had been in ill health during the past summer. He was born in Portland, Me., May 17, 1871, and came to South Vernon in 1919. For several years he was employed as gardener at the summer home of M. C. Houghton. He was a lover of flowers, having grown a beautiful garden of 4100 gladiolus bulbs. Mr. Skillings leaves his widow, the former Etta Houghtaling, four brothers, Charles and Henry of Stepney Depot, Ct., John of Charlestown, and Fred of Cape Cod; a sister in California, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. W. W. Coe officiating. Interment was in Tyler cemetery.

James H. Bolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bolton, has been awarded the John H. Brigham scholarship for three years at Temple university where he is taking the dental course. He graduated from Mount Hermon in 1934 and for three years attended the Mass. State college.

In rounding the Plotzezyk's corner, shortly after midnight last week Wednesday, an auto driven by Benjamin Purdy of Hinsdale, ran into a tree and was badly damaged. He said the steering apparatus didn't work. Riding with him was a Northfield young lady and Raymond Beruk and Teddy Beruk of Hinsdale. Teddy Beruk was thrown and struck his head and was taken to Franklin county hospital by Dr. Dean. His injuries are not serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stoddard of Adams were recent guests of Mr. Stoddard's cousin, Robert C. Allen, and family.

Mrs. Lawrence Johnson, and son, Robert, have returned home from the Brattleboro Memorial hospital.

Mrs. Arthur L. Miller has returned to her home in Vernon from the Brattleboro Memorial hospital and is improving.

Mrs. Kathleen Bagley Galvin of Greenfield started a class in dancing at the South school, Sept. 26 to run for 10 weeks. The next class will not start until spring.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bruce called on Mrs. Vesta Brown Friday evening in Jacksonville, Vt., and attended Pomona Grange. Mrs. Brown, a former South Vernon resident, is ill.

Earl S. Brown, son of Osborn Brown of Los Angeles, Calif., has been visiting his cousins, Hermon Brown, and Mrs. W. D. Johnson and also relatives in Keene and Winchester, N. H.

Mrs. Dora Harmon, Mrs. Elizabeth Fairman, and Mrs. Bernice Collier attended the funeral of Miss Flora Frizzell in Greenfield last Sunday. Miss Frizzell formerly lived at the Chandler Brooks place in Vernon. Mrs. Harmon remained in Bernardston to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burrows.

Miss Grace Payne was received into the South Vernon church by letter, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Churchill entertained friends and neighbors Thursday evening, in honor of their 18th wedding anniversary. The Friendship club held its first meeting of the season, Thursday afternoon, at Mrs. C. I. Holton's. There were 10 women present.

The South School P.-T. A. held a business meeting and social at the schoolhouse Tuesday evening. Mrs. C. I. Holton had charge of the program.


Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McIntire of Bellows Falls, former residents here, visited with Rev. and Mrs. George Gray's Sunday.

There will be a business meeting of the church Monday evening, Oct. 16 at 7:30, to act on the pastor's resignation and consider other business in regard to the future welfare of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Wing announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Alice, to Walter B. Fairbrother of Greenfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burns Fairbrother of Newport, Vt. The wedding will

C. V. Auditor Retires 47 Years Service

Announcement of the retirement on pension of C. W. O. Moore as auditor of the Central Vermont railway after 47 years of service and the appointment of Arthur B. Hopper as his successor is announced by T. H. Cooper, comptroller with the approval of H. A. Carson, general manager. The retirement and appointment are effective Oct. 1.



C. W. O. Moore

Mr. Moore has been in the employ of the Central Vermont 47 years, entering service as an office boy Sept. 15, 1892. On June 1, 1893, he was promoted to clerk in the freight accounts office and June 1, 1911 became assistant chief clerk of freight accounts. On Sept. 1, 1913 he was appointed traveling auditor with system jurisdiction and May 1, 1919, he was named chief clerk, disbursements and on Jan. 1, 1934, chief clerk of all divisions of the auditing department. His appointment as acting auditor of the Central Vermont was made April 1, 1934 and Jan. 1, 1935, he received the permanent appointment as auditor.

The new auditor comes to the Central Vermont with a background of 26 years of experience in the various branches of the auditing services of the Canadian National system. He began his career as a stenographer. In recent years as accountant in the disbursements' branch at system headquarters, he has been closely associated with the auditing problems and activities of the Central Vermont railway. His system service includes duty as an auditor in the hotel, railway payroll, general comptroller, general auditor and disbursements branches with added special duties in connection with the Central Vermont and Grand Trunk Western lines. He has a brilliant war record having served overseas with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces.

take place Saturday evening, Oct. 14 in the Baptist church in Greenfield.

There will be a regular meeting of Vernon Grange Wednesday, Oct. 11. It will be neighbors night. West Dummerston, Broad Brook and Bernardston have been invited.

Mrs. Frank Lackey has returned from Readsboro, Vt. to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Warren Dunklee.

Mrs. Joseph Woodard has gone from the Vernon Home to the home of her brother-in-law Waldo Woodard in Newport, N. H. for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Carrie Dittmas, Manchester, N. H., is a guest of her brother, Rev. F. H. Leavitt, and her sister, Mrs. Nellie Stockwell, at the Vernon Home.

Services at the South Vernon church, morning worship at 10:30 with sermon by the pastor; Sunday school at 11:45; evening song service and sermon at 7.

Mrs. E. W. Scherlin received a letter and a picture from her father in Sweden Tuesday, which was his 100th birthday. He is hale and hearty, able to walk three or four miles and can see to read and write. He retired only two years ago from his work. Mrs. Scherlin entertained her sisters, Miss Louise Nelson, and Mrs. Clarence Rice and Mr. Rice of Brattleboro Tuesday at a dinner party in their father's honor. They had planned to visit him at this time, but were prevented by the war.

Mr. and Mrs. Moyer, Mr. and Mrs. Swan, and Mrs. Harold Barnes and children of Orange were visitors at Leroy Barnes' Sunday.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barnes spent Friday with his grandparents, while his parents moved from Greenfield to Bernardston.

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CHURCH SERVICES

TRINITARIAN CHURCH

Sunday school will meet at 10. At 11 the regular preaching service, with special anthems; sermon subject, "Wonderful Testimonies." Sunday school at the Farms at 2:30, followed by worship service. At 7, Christian Endeavor meeting. At 8, regular preaching service.

Tuesday at 3, the Mrs. L. R. Smith Bible class, with Mrs. Colton.

Wednesday at 6:45, annual church and parish supper, followed by annual business meeting of the church.

Thursday at 7:30, weekly prayer service, followed by choir rehearsal.

Friday at 7:30, Evening Auxiliary sewing meeting at the church. Devotions by Mrs. L. R. Smith. Hostess, Mrs. Handy.

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Sunday, 9:45 a. m., church school; 10:45, church worship. The subject for the service will be "What is Religion?"

The Alliance will meet Wednesday, Oct. 11, instead of Oct. 12, at the church parlor. Mrs. Conner will tell of some of the projects of the American Unitarian association.

Christian Endeavor

At the recent business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church, the following were chosen to serve for the ensuing year: President, Ethel Marcy; vice-president, Robert Fuller; treasurer, William Marshall; secretary, Hazel Browning. Chairmen of the committees: Devotional, Lawrence Marcy; social, Helen Durgin; membership, Robert Fuller; music, Hazel Browning. Christian Endeavor councilor, Mrs. Josephine Durgin.

Building Home

With the completion of the new Wanamaker road, considerable real estate becomes available for building sites. Plots are advantageously located with fine views and good drainage. On two of such plots, near the Jordan property, two are now under construction. One is being built for Sam MacDonald and another for Paul Jordan. The work is already well under way and it is expected that the homes will be ready for winter occupancy.

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Friday, October 6, 1939

EDITORIAL

A terse statement which goes home—we quote: "Perhaps none of the fundamental principles that have guided the Northfield schools since their founding have had a more profound influence on the character of the institution than has the work hour. Under the work plan each student devotes from eight to ten hours a week to manual labor, ranging from simple housekeeping tasks to the heaviest of farm jobs. In financial terms alone the work system has more than justified itself: it has helped to keep the cost of Northfield training within the reach of those who need it most. But more significant is the work hour's contribution to the total program which aims to produce well-balanced, self-reliant men and women with a true Christian outlook."

Here is a good one, which comes to our attention in Nation's Business. We quote:

"For 300 years that homely rule of life promulgated by John Smith of Jamestown has stood unchallenged in principle if not always in practice:

'He who will not work shall not eat.'

Now, from New Jersey is proclaimed a new principal that modernized old John Smith. An unemployed plasterer who had been receiving relief for five years without any strings to it was cut off by the local relief director when he failed to come in and take a job after having been notified repeatedly to do so. He filed a complaint in criminal court alleging that the relief director was trying to force him into involuntary servitude in clear contravention of his constitutional rights. He maintained he had a right to relief and no one had the right to make him work for it. That would be slavery, he said, and slavery was abolished by the 13th Amendment.

It pays to know your Constitution."

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Do you know that . . . The luxurious upholstery materials upon which you ride in your automobile, the cushions and backs, the springs of the cushions and the auto tire fabric entering into shoes on the wheels are nearly all fabricated in Massachusetts mills. . . . For almost 100 years, Springfield has been the home of the famous group of Webster dictionaries. . . . The largest packaging machinery concern in the world is located in Springfield. . . . This year marks the 121st year of consecutive steamship service between Nantasket, Pemberton and Boston. . . . Old Harbor Village in Boston has 3912 rooms. . . . New Towne Court in Cambridge is listed as having 1172 rooms with an average rental per month of \$4.83 per room. . . . A Massachusetts watch factory has made a watch so small it can be set in a ring. . . . Haverhill, long known in shoe producing circles as the Queen City of the Merrimack, has been a center of shoe and slipper manufacture for almost three centuries. . . . The Parson Capen House in Topsfield (built 1683) is considered one of the most flawless examples of English manor house in America. . . . The State Planning Board, through WPA assistance, has started a compilation which will help in measuring the effect of foreign trade on Massachusetts business.

Plentiful Supply Of High Quality Apples

The old adage, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away" should be exceptionally effective this year, reports John Chandler of Sterling Junction, president of the New York and New England Apple Institute, a growers' cooperative research group.

According to President Chandler, the drought of the past summer did not affect apples to the extent that it did apple crops. More than 100 reports from as many apple areas indicate that the quality of New England apples is assured.

Old Man Sunshine, who was more liberal this year than many with his shining face, put flavor, zip, and snap into the fruit as well as high color and tasting



PROPOSED BUILDING AT BEACON & WALNUT STREETS
PLANS FOR CALVIN COOLIDGE COLLEGE
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New Institution Will Front
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A drive for funds to erect the Calvin Coolidge College at the corner of Beacon and Walnut streets, Boston, will be launched with a dinner at the Boston Chamber of Commerce Building on Tuesday evening, October 10th.

The institution will be a progressive liberal arts co-educational college and will stand on a 10,000 sq. ft. plot overlooking Boston Common.

In granting her permission for the construction of this memorial Mrs. Grace Goodhue Coolidge, widow of the late president, said: "There is nothing in which Mr. Coolidge was more interested than education. I feel that such a memorial would be more fitting than any monument of stone or marble figure."

Plans call for a Colonial style building of fifty rooms including auditorium, physical and chemical laboratories, two libraries, gymnasium, administrative offices, faculty and student rooms and class rooms to accommodate approximately 1400 students. Materials from every state in New England will be represented in the construction. The base, granite from New Hampshire and Rhode Island; the first story, marble from Vermont; the other stories, brick from Massachusetts; the columns and cupola, white pine from Maine; the hardware and brass fittings from Connecticut.

The faculty has been tentatively chosen and will include outstanding educators who have served on the faculties of well-known colleges and universities.

The following prominent men and women have accepted the Committee's invitation to speak at the dinner: Colonel Frank Knox, Republican nominee for Vice President in 1936; Governor Leverett Saltonstall; Governor George D. Aiken; Lt. Governor Horace T. Cahill; Hon. Jesse Metcalf; Hon. Maurice J. Tobin; Dr. Arthur W. MacLean; Hon. Jeremiah E. O'Connell; Mrs. Will A. Ellingwood; Hon. Bertham G. Hayes and Mrs. Edward S. Moulton.

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President Chandler pointed out that the weather conditions this year have been more favorable to disease control, as wet weather sometimes makes it more difficult to prevent the growth of fungous diseases. In only a few limited areas due to weather conditions the size is somewhat small, but even here the quality will be found to be exceptionally high. So Massachusetts housewives will find it an easy matter to have that apple a day for all members of the family.

To Sell Homes

Starting Monday, all homes owned by the Home Owners Loan Corporation will be sold on contracts carrying a 4 1/2 per cent interest rate instead of the previous low rate of 5 per cent.

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Well, last spring I tried to raise sweet peas—in fact I have tried them several years and never had any success. So I'm doing a bit of reflecting. Dave Arnold is always a source of relief in troubled times like this, so I asked him for advice.

He agreed with me that sweet peas certainly are one of the most graceful and most desirable garden flowers. Well, naturally he had to agree after I had asked him for advice so kindly. But anyway this is what he suggested.

Sweet peas of course require a moist but well drained soil and they like it fairly fertile and of course they like to get started early in the spring. One of the best ways of assuring success with sweet peas is to dig a trench this fall 18 or 20 inches deep and at the bottom put a layer of about 10 inches of old barnyard manure. Cover with 4 or 5 inches of loam. With the manure underneath, the soil will thaw out sufficiently for you to plant your sweet pea seeds real early. Cover them with perhaps one-half to one inch of soil. In other words, the frost in your sweet pea row will be out long before the frost will be out in other sections of the garden.

Then another way to get peas started early would be to prepare this trench this fall and plant the sweet pea seeds in small pots in the house, getting them started so that they are 8 or 10 inches high by the time they are ready to set outdoors. In this way you will give them a good chance to get started before warm dry weather comes along. As Dave says this is some extra work, but it's worth the extra effort.

And speaking of plants early next spring reminds me to remind you that it would be a mighty good idea if you are at all interested in such things to prepare a bushel or two of earth for just such work. In other words, take some garden soil, mix in some compost and fertilizer, and put it away in the cellar where it won't freeze. Then next winter or next spring when you want to do some extra potting of plants you will have some nice soil ready. And the old book says order your sweet pea seeds before Christmas time. Then you'll have them when planting time arrives.

PURCHASING POWER

AUGUST, 1939, Compared with AUGUST, 1938

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Cash Income—1939			
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Real Income—1939			

THE above chart, showing how the average American fared in national income changes in the last twelve months, is based on the monthly consumers' study of Investors Syndicate of Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Public in August had a "real income" of \$1.14, or an increase of 14 cents on the dollar from the same 1938 month. This "real income" is not a subtraction of cash income and expenditures, but an average relative of these figures designed to show how living costs affect adjusted income dollars.

Cash income of Mr. and Mrs. Public in August was \$1.12 for every \$1 a year earlier. This gain of twelve cents on the dollar resulted from the following changes per dollar: wages up twenty-three cents and salaries ten cents; investment income was up sixteen cents and other income was down five cents on the dollar.

Rents were unchanged in August as compared with the same 1938 month. Food was down four cents on the dollar; clothing was off two cents; and miscellaneous items were down one cent.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Chief Willis Parker of this town calls attention that next week, beginning Oct. 8, is Fire Prevention Week and that President Roosevelt has made public a proclamation for its observance. The President calls attention to the fact that fires caused a loss of more than \$265,000,000 last year. Chief Parker urges that all citizens take any measure necessary to remove fire hazards on their property. In starting fires for the winter season, be assured that your chimneys are in good condition and also clean up all rubbish and dispose of inflammable material.

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